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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/875,993
Applicants: Isabelle AFRIAT, et al.
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For: USE OF CUBIC GEL PARTICLES AS AN ANTI-
POLLUTION AGENT, IN PARTICULAR IN A
COSMETIC COMPOSITION
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT (4 pp.)

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Respectfully submitted,

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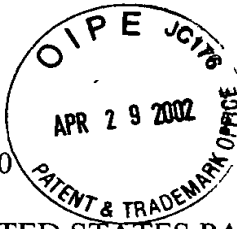
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Responsive to the Official Action dated March 27, 2002, Applicants elect, with

✓ traverse, a method for improving keratin (species (a.)), for further prosecution. Claims 1-24

read on the elected species. With the election of species (a.), Applicants elect, with traverse,

✓ method of protecting with a gel particle (species (c.)), for further prosecution. Claims 1-3

and 19-24 read on the elected species. With the election of species (c.), Applicants further

✓ elect, with traverse, water-insoluble N-aryl derivatives of glutamic acid and salts thereof

(Claim 21 (iii)) as a water-insoluble ionic amphiphilic lipids. In addition, with the election of

✓ species (c.), Applicants further elect, with traverse, butylmethoxydibenzoylmethane (page 13,

lines 10-13) as an active principle.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application by the election of a
single disclosed species as follows:

(a.) A method for improving keratin (Claims 1-24); or